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EO 11652 GDS
TAGS: ENRG ETRD VE
SUBJ: VENEZUELAN COMPLAINT REGARDING US OIL
IMPORT LICENSE FEES
REF: STATE 133914

1. THE AIDE MEMOIRE CONTAINED IN REFTEL WAS DELIVERED TO ICE
PRESIDENT REINALDO FIGUEREDO TODAY. EMBOFF PRESENTED OUR
POSITION, CITING PARTICULARLY THE NATIONAL SECURITY PROVISION
OF SECTION 232(B) OF THE TRADE EXPANSION ACT AND ARTICLE XVI
OF THE RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENT.

2. DR FIGUEREDO BRIEFLY REVIEWED THE MAJOR POINTS OF THE
VENEZUELAN POSITION, SAID THAT HE WOULD GIVE OUR NOTE CAREFUL
ATTENTION AND VOICED HIS CERTAINTY THAT THE GOV WOULD WANT TO
MAKE A REPLY. HE ASSURED US THAT HE WAS NOT APPROACHING THIS
ISSUE IN A CONFRONTATIONAL MANNER, BUT HE COULD NOT ESCAPE THE
CONCLUSION THAT THE US HAD UNILATERALLY CHANGED THE AGREEMENT
WIHOUT CONSULTATION. THIS ACTION TRANSCENDS THE CURRENT ISSUE
OF OIL FEES. IF THE US CAN SO ACT, NO AGREEMENT TO WHICH IT
IS A PARTY IS IMMUNE TO UNILATERAL CHANGE, A SITUATION THAT
IS COUNTER TO ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL NORMS. FIGUEREDO ADDED
THAT HIS REMARKS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS PRELIMINARY, AND A
DEFINITIVE MEMORANDUM WOULD BE FORTHCOMING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
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